

## STATE of MINNESOTA

## Proclamation

WHEREAS:

Minnesotans travel the globe in pursuit of business, cultural exchange,

education, humanitarian work, sports, and tourism; and it is fitting that we

recognize the importance of having a passport; and

WHEREAS:

In celebration of Passport Day in the USA 2013, we join the United States

Department of State in its national outreach effort to inform the public from

coast-to-coast and border-to-border about changes to U.S. passport requirements and to accept passport applications from U.S. citizens; and

WHEREAS:

It is now required that a U.S. citizen entering the United States from Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Bermuda at land borders and sea ports of entry, present a passport book, passport card, or other travel document approved by

the U.S. government; and

WHEREAS:

U.S. citizens without valid passport books or passport cards are encouraged to apply on Passport Day, as appointments will not be required only on this day, and the State Department's Minneapolis Passport Agency is hosting this special outreach and application acceptance event on Saturday, March 9, 2013, from

10:00 am until 3:00 pm.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim March 9, 2013 as:

## PASSPORT DAY

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February.

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SECRETARY OF STATE

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